



Dear Roosevelt School Families,

Our students will be participating in a unique learning opportunity during computer class. We will be using Skype to connect with other elementary classrooms around the United States. Skype is a video conferencing tool that allows two classrooms to chat while viewing live video of each other. We will be using Skype to connect with students to learn about their school, communities, and states. This is a project that has gone on for the past couple years and has brought wonderful results.

With the advances in technology, we have the ability to learn about different places first hand from those that live there. Through this project, we hope to:

- Create a more global classroom environment and more global students
- Increase the students' knowledge of various technological tools
- Investigate the United States and learn about the similarities and differences between our communities
- Grow into a more united learning community beyond the boundaries of our school

Please understand that as part of this project your child will be using a live private Internet streaming connection through the use of Skype video conferencing software. Students will be monitored at all times and will **not** have independent access to this program.

This is a wonderful educational opportunity for our students to take part in. I will be keeping track of our findings and posting on the computer lab website.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Desiree Noland
Roosevelt Computer Teacher

Please **sign, check,** and **return this form** to your child's classroom teacher.

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YES! I give permission for my child to participate in the Skype project under the supervision of Mrs. Noland.

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NO! I do NOT give permission for my child to participate in the Skype project. I understand that my child will be excluded from the activities and will be provided alternative work during this time.

Child's Name: _____

Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____